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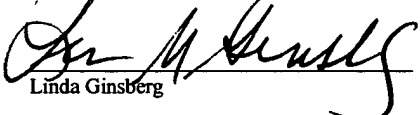
FOR: METHOD FOR DETECTING PATHOGENIC MICROORGANISM AND ANTIMICROBIAL AGENT, METHOD FOR EVALUATING EFFECT OF ANTIMICROBIAL AGENT, AND ANTIMICROBIAL AGENT

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In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §§1.56 and 1.97, Applicants herewith submit the publications and/or patents shown on the attached form PTO-1449, for consideration by the Examiner in connection with the examination of the above-identified patent application.

REMARKS

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.97, this statement is being filed:

— (1) with the filing of this divisional utility application.

- (2) within three (3) months of the Filing Date or **before the mailing date of the First Office Action** on the merits; or
- (3) within three months of the mailing date of the PCT International Search Report; or
- (4) after the period defined in (1) but before the mailing date of a **Final Rejection** or **Notice of Allowance**, and the requisite Certification or fee under Rule 1.17(p), namely **\$240.00**, is included herein; or
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It is respectfully requested that each of the documents shown on the attached form(s) PTO-1449 be made of record in this application. Copies of these documents (CHECK ONE):

 X are enclosed herewith;

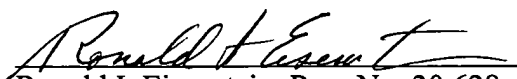
— have been cited in the parent application, and are thus not being resubmitted herein.

Early examination and allowance of the present application are respectfully solicited.

FEE AUTHORIZATION

Should any fees associated with the submission be required, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the missing fee to our Deposit Account No. 50-0850. Any overpayments should be credited to said Deposit Account.

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UNITED STATES PATENT DOCUMENTS									
EXAM. INITIALS		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	INVENTOR/ASSIGNEE	CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE		
	AA	5,962,476	10/5/99	Naito et al.					
	AB	5,716,969	2/10/98	Naito et al.					
	AC	5,620,994	4/15/97	Naito et al.					
FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS									
		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUBCLASS	TRANSLATION YES/NO		
	BA	8-103291	4/23/96	Japan (and English abstract attached)			Y		
	BB	10-28597	2/3/98	Japan (and English abstract attached)			Y		
	BC	WO 94/26734 * U.S. Patents which are National Phase Entry of above are 5,962,476 and 5,716,969	11/24/94	PCT			*Yes		
OTHER DOCUMENTS (INCLUDING AUTHOR, TITLE, DATE, PERTINENT PAGES, ETC.)									
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